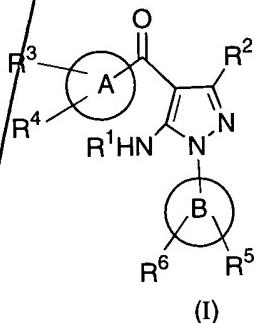


IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims as follows:

Cancel claims 1, 32 and 36-37.

33. (Amended herein) A method of treatment of a disease in a mammal treatable by administration of a p38 MAP kinase inhibitor, comprising administration to the mammal a therapeutically effective amount of a compound selected from the group of compounds represented by Formula (I):



wherein:

R¹ is hydrogen or acyl;

R² is hydrogen or alkyl;

A is an aryl ring;

B is an aryl ring;

R³ is selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) amino, alkylamino or dialkylamino;
- (b) acylamino;
- (c) optionally substituted heterocycl;
- (d) optionally substituted aryl or heteroaryl;
- (e) heteroalkyl;
- (f) heteroalkenyl;
- (g) heteroalkynyl;
- (h) heteroalkoxy;
- (i) heteroalkylamino;

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- (j) optionally substituted heterocyclalkyl;
 - (k) optionally substituted heterocyclalkenyl;
 - (l) optionally substituted heterocyclalkynyl;
 - (m) optionally substituted heterocyclalkoxy, cycloakoxy or heterocycloxy;
 - (n) optionally substituted heterocyclalkylamino;
 - (o) optionally substituted heterocyclalkylcarbonyl;
 - (p) heteroalkylcarbonyl;
 - (q) - NHSO_2R^6 where R^6 is alkyl, heteroalkyl or optionally substituted heterocyclalkyl;
 - (r) - $\text{NHSO}_2\text{NR}^7\text{R}^8$ where R^7 and R^8 are, independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl;
 - (s) - $\text{Y}-(\text{alkylene})-\text{R}^9$ where:
 - Y is a single bond, -O-, -NH- or -S(O)_n- (where n is an integer from 0 to 2); and
 - R^9 is cyano, optionally substituted heteroaryl, -COOH, -COR¹⁰, -COOR¹¹, -CONR¹²R¹³, -SO₂R¹⁴, -SO₂NR¹⁵R¹⁶, -NHSO₂R¹⁷ or -NHSO₂NR¹⁸R¹⁹, where R¹⁰ is alkyl or optionally substituted heterocycle, R¹¹ is alkyl, and R¹², R¹³, R¹⁴, R¹⁵, R¹⁶, R¹⁷, R¹⁸ and R¹⁹ are, independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl;
 - (t) -C(=NR²⁰)(NR²¹R²²) where R²⁰, R²¹ and R²² independently represent, hydrogen, alkyl or hydroxy, or R²⁰ and R²¹ together are -(CH₂)_n- where n is 2 or 3 and R²² is hydrogen or alkyl;
 - (u) -NHC(X)NR²³R²⁴ where X is -O- or -S-, and R²³ and R²⁴ are, independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl;
 - (v) -CONR²⁵R²⁶ where R²⁵ and R²⁶ independently represent hydrogen, alkyl, heteroalkyl or optionally substituted heterocyclalkyl, or R²⁵ and R²⁶ together with the nitrogen to which they are attached form an optionally substituted heterocycl ring;

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- (w) $-S(O)_nR^{27}$ where n is an integer from 0 to 2, and R^{27} is alkyl, heteroalkyl, optionally substituted heterocyclylalkyl, or $-NR^{28}R^{29}$ where R^{28} and R^{29} are, independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl;
 - (x) cycloalkylalkyl, cycloalkylalkynyl and cycloalkylalkynyl, all optionally substituted with alkyl, halo, hydroxy or amino;
 - (y) arylaminoalkylene or heteroarylarninoalkylene;
 - (z) $Z\text{-alkylene-NR}^{30}R^{31}$ or $Z\text{-alkylene-OR}^{32}$ where Z is -NH- , -N(lower alkyl)- or -O- , and R^{30} , R^{31} and R^{32} are independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl;
 - (aa) $\text{-OC(O)\text{-alkylene-CO}_2H}$ or $\text{-OC(O)\text{-NR}'R''}$ (where R' and R'' are independently hydrogen or alkyl); and
 - (bb) heteroarylalkenylene or heteroarylalkynylene;

R^4 is selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) hydrogen;
- (b) halo;
- (c) alkyl;
- (d) alkoxy; and
- (e) hydroxy;

R^5 is selected from the group consisting of :

- (a) hydrogen;
- (b) halo;
- (c) alkyl;
- (d) haloalkyl;
- (e) thioalkyl;
- (f) hydroxy;
- (g) amino;
- (h) alkylamino;
- (i) dialkylamino;
- (j) heteroalkyl;

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- (k) optionally substituted heterocycle;
 - (l) optionally substituted heterocyclalkyl;
 - (m) optionally substituted heterocyclalkoxy;
 - (n) alkylsulfonyl;
 - (o) aminosulfonyl, mono-alkylaminosulfonyl or dialkylaminosulfonyl;
 - (p) heteroalkoxy; and
 - (q) carboxy;

R⁶ is selected from a group consisting of:

- (a) hydrogen;
- (b) halo;
- (c) alkyl; and
- (d) alkoxy; and

prodrugs, individual isomers, mixtures of isomers and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

2. (Amended)

The method of Claim 33 wherein R³ is:

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- (a) optionally substituted heterocycl;
 - (b) aryl or heteroaryl both optionally substituted with a substituent selected from halo, alkyl, amino, alkoxy, carboxy, lower alkoxy carbonyl, SO₂R' (where R' is alkyl) or SO₂NHR'R" (where R' and R" are independently hydrogen or alkyl);
 - (c) heteroalkyl;
 - (d) heteroalkenyl;
 - (e) heteroalkylamino;
 - (f) heteroalkoxy;
 - (g) optionally substituted heterocyclalkyl, or heterocycloxy;
 - (h) optionally substituted heterocyclalkenyl;
 - (i) optionally substituted heterocyclalkynyl;
 - (j) optionally substituted heterocyclalkoxy;

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- (k) optionally substituted heterocyclalkylamino;
 - (l) optionally substituted heterocyclalkylcarbonyl;
 - (k) -Y-(alkylene)-R⁹ where Y is a single bond, -O- or -NH- and R⁹ is optionally substituted heteroaryl, -CONR¹²R¹³, SO₂R¹⁴, -SO₂NR¹⁵R¹⁶ -NHSO₂R¹⁷ or -NHSO₂NR¹⁸R¹⁹ where R¹², R¹³, R¹⁴, R¹⁵, R¹⁶, R¹⁷, R¹⁸ and R¹⁹ are independently of each other hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl;
 - (l) cycloalkylalkyl, cycloalkylalkynyl and cycloalkylalkynyl, all optionally substituted with alkyl, halo, hydroxy or amino;
 - (m) arylaminoalkylene or heteroarylarninoalkylene; or
 - (n) Z-alkylene-NR³⁰R³¹ where Z is -NH-, -N(alkyl)- or -O-, and R³⁰ and R³¹ are independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl.

3. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 2 wherein R¹ and R² are hydrogen; and B is phenyl.
4. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 3 wherein A is phenyl.
5. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 4 wherein R⁴ is hydrogen; and R⁵ is halo or alkyl.
6. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 5 wherein R⁵ is chloro, fluoro or methyl; and R⁶ is hydrogen, chloro, fluoro, methyl or methoxy.
7. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 5, wherein R³ is optionally substituted heteroaryl.
8. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 7, wherein R³ is pyridin-2-yl, pyridin-3-yl, pyridin-4-yl, N-oxidopyridin-2-yl, N-oxidopyridin-3-yl, N-oxidopyridin-4-yl or pyridon-2-yl, all optionally substituted.

9. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 8, wherein R³ is at the 3-position.

10. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 9, wherein R⁵ is 4-F and R⁶ is hydrogen.

11. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 9, wherein R⁵ is 2-Me and R⁶ is hydrogen.

12. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 5, wherein R³ is optionally substituted phenyl.

13. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 12, wherein R³ is 3-sulfamoylphenyl, 3-methylsulfonylphenyl, 3-carboxyphenyl or 3-ethoxycarbonylphenyl.

14. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 13, wherein R³ is at the 3-position.

15. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 14, wherein R⁵ is 4-F and R⁶ is hydrogen.

16. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 5, wherein R³ is:

- (a) heteroalkyl;
- (b) heteroalkoxy;
- (c) heteroalkylamino;
- (d) optionally substituted heterocyclalkyl;
- (e) optionally substituted heterocyclalkoxy;
- (f) optionally substituted heterocyclalkylamino;
- (g) -Y-(alkylene)-R⁹ where Y is a single bond, -O- or -NH- and R⁹ is optionally substituted heteroaryl, -CONR¹²R¹³, SO₂R¹⁴, -SO₂NR¹⁵R¹⁶ - NHSO₂R¹⁷ or -NHSO₂NR¹⁸R¹⁹ where R¹², R¹³, R¹⁴, R¹⁵, R¹⁶, R¹⁷, R¹⁸ and R¹⁹ are independently of each other hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl; or

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(h) Z-alkylene-NR³⁰R³¹ where Z is -NH-, -N(alkyl)- or -O-, and R³⁰ and R³¹ are independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl.

17. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 16, wherein R³ is heteroalkyl.

18. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 17, wherein R³ is at the 3-position and is selected from the group consisting of 2-dimethylaminoethyl, 3-dimethylaminopropyl, 4-dimethylaminobutyl, hydroxymethyl, 1,2-dihydroxyethyl, 3-hydroxy-3-methyl-1-butyl or 3-hydroxybutyl.

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19. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 18, wherein R⁵ is 2-F and R⁶ is 4-F.

20. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 18, wherein R⁵ is 4-F and R⁶ is hydrogen.

21. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 18, wherein R⁵ is 2-Me and R⁶ is hydrogen.

22. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 16, wherein R³ is heteroalkoxy or heteroalkylamino.

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23. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 22, wherein R³ is at the 3-position and is selected from the group consisting of 3-dimethylaminopropoxy, 2-dimethylaminoethoxy, 2-hydroxyethoxy, 2,3-dihydroxypropoxy, 2,2-(dihydroxymethyl)ethoxy, 2-dimethylaminoethylamino and 3-dimethylaminopropylamino.

24. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 23 wherein R⁵ is 4-F or 2-Me and R⁶ is hydrogen.

25. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 16, wherein R^3 is optionally substituted heterocyclylalkyl, optionally substituted heterocyclylalkoxy or optionally substituted heterocyclylalkylamino.

26. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 25, wherein R^3 is at the 3-position and is selected from the group consisting of 3-(morpholin-4-yl)propoxy, 2-(morpholin-4-yl)ethoxy, 2-(2-oxo-pyrrolidin-1-yl)ethoxy, 3-(morpholin-4-yl)propyl, 2-(morpholin-4-yl)ethyl, 4-(morpholin-4-yl)butyl, 3-(morpholin-4-yl)propylamino, 2-(morpholin-4-yl)ethylamino, 4-hydroxy-piperidinylmethyl, 2-(S,S-dioxo-thiamorpholin-4-yl)ethyl, 3-(S,S-dioxo-thiamorpholin-4-yl)propyl and N-methylpiperazinylmethyl.

27. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 26 wherein R^5 is 4-F or 2-Me and R^6 is hydrogen.

28. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 16 wherein R^3 is -Y-(alkylene)- R^9 where Y is a single bond, -O- or -NH- and R^9 is optionally substituted heteroaryl, -CONR¹²R¹³, SO₂R¹⁴, -SO₂NR¹⁵R¹⁶, -NSO₂R¹⁷ or -NSO₂NR¹⁸R¹⁹ where R¹², R¹³, R¹⁴, R¹⁵, R¹⁶, R¹⁷, R¹⁸ and R¹⁹ are independently of each other hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl.

29. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 28, wherein Y is a single bond and R^9 is SO₂R¹⁴ or -SO₂NR¹⁵R¹⁶.

30. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 29 wherein R^3 is methylsulfonyleethyl or sulfamoyleethyl.

31. (Amended herein) The method of Claim 30 wherein R^5 is 4-F or 2-Me and R^6 is hydrogen.